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Docket No.: 060188-0962 <u>PATENT</u>

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RESPONSE UNDER 37CFR 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

In re Application of

Customer Number: 20277

Ryusuke HORIBE, et al.

Confirmation Number: 2223

Application No.: 10/510,988

Group Art Unit: 2627

Filed: October 13, 2004

Examiner: Minerva Rivero

For: SIGNAL PROCESSING DEVICE AND SIGNAL PROCESSING METHOD

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 14, 2006, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on December 14, 2006, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.